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**AMENDMENT UNDER
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First Named Inventor	A. Jakobovits
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Group Art Unit	1636
Examiner Name	T. McKelvey
Title	Generation of large DNA deletions

Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated September 7, 2001 for which a three-month period for response was given making this response due on or before December 7, 2001. A Petition for a 3-Month Extension of Time is submitted herewith, making this amendment due on or before March 7, 2002. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

In view of the remarks put forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

I. AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following text on page 1, after the title:

-- CROSS REFERENCE

This application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/348,747, filed July 6, 1999, abandoned, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/808,139, filed February 28, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 5,998,209, which is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 08/426,555, filed April 21, 1995, abandoned, each of which is incorporated by reference herein in their entirety. —

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 1, 9, and 10 without prejudice to renewal.

Please enter the amendments to claims 2-7 as shown below.

G. Jones 2. (Amended) A method for obtaining a mammalian cell comprising a genomic deletion in a range of from about 50 kb to about 3000 kb, which method comprises the steps of:

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